(b) whether Government have a proposal to upgrade some of these Doordarshan Kendras in 2000-2001 and in remaining years of ninth Plan;

(c) if so, the Doordarshan Kendras in Orissa identified for upgradation and expansion; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) Details of Doordarshan Transmitters commissioned during the last three years in the country is given in the Annexure *[See* Appendix 189, Annexure No. 39]

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Following schemes for upgradation of transmitters are under implementation in Orissa;

1. LPT at Berhampur (DD-1) to be replaced by HPT (1 KW)

2. LPT at Sambalpur (DD-2) to be replaced by HPT (10KW) 3.1

KW HPT Sambalpur (DD-1) to be replaced by 10KW HPT.

Proposal for TV Tower in Shimla District

1124. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to establish T.V. Tower for the people of Tehsil Chirgaon in district Shimla for the financial year 2000-2001;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) TV coverage is being expanded, in a phased manner, depending on availability of resources. There are eight transmitters including one for Metro Channel functioning in Shimla district. Further expansion of TV coverage in Shimla district would depend on future availability of resources and *inter-se* priorities.